

# PHI BETA KAPPAS HEAR MITCHELL

Recently Elected Members of  
Alpha Chapter Initiated at  
Williamsburg.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
Williamsburg, Va., December 5.—The annual celebration of Alpha Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa Society took place tonight in the chapel of William and Mary College. The presence of a large and brilliant audience, as the members of the order and the distinguished initiates entered the hall they were received with cheers by the audience.

The meeting was presided over by Dr. M. Hughes of Norfolk, president of the chapter. He introduced the orator of the evening, Dr. S. C. Mitchell, president of the University of South Carolina. Dr. Mitchell delivered a very able and profound address on the subject, "Vicarious Elements in the Character of Lee."

Letters of regret were read from Jennings C. Wise, of Richmond, and Dr. D. H. Hill, president of the A. and M. College, of Raleigh, N. C., two of the recently elected members, regretting their inability of being in attendance for the initiation. Letters of regret also were read from the following members of the chapter, who were prevented by various reasons from attending the celebration: Dr. E. A. Alderman, president of the University of Virginia; Bishop Beverly D. Tucker, of Lynchburg; Dr. Stuart McIntire, of Richmond; former Governor A. J. Montague, of Richmond; Dr. Charles W. Kent, of the University of Virginia; Major J. C. Hemphill, of Charlotte, N. C.; H. N. Johnston, editor of the Century Magazine, and Professor R. B. Smith, of Randolph-Macon College.

Following the public celebration, the initiation exercises were held in one of the society rooms in the main college building. The annual banquet was held in the Carnegie Library, and was a brilliant affair.

The initiates were Dr. S. C. Mitchell, of South Carolina; Dr. John C. Smith, of the college faculty; John Fox, Jr., of Big Stone Gap; Philip Alexander Jones, of Norfolk; Frank G. Carpenter, of Washington, D. C.; Professor George McK. Bain, M. A., of Norfolk; Henry Sydney Harrison, of Charleston, W. Va.

Among the prominent visiting members were Hon. Harry S. George Tucker, Judge Theodore S. Garnett, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Davis, Professor Arthur L. Wright, J. C. Holman, Superintendent J. D. Eggleston, W. C. L. Talbott, T. J. Stubbs, Jr., A. H. Foreman, O. L. Shewmake, Hon. Robert M. Hughes and Professor H. S. Bird.

LITTLEPAGE HAS REFORMED.

West Virginia Congressman Cuts His Autobiography Down to Four Lines.  
Washington, December 5.—Representative Adam Brown Littlepage, of West Virginia, whose remarkably complimentary biography in the Congressional Directory last session attracted so much attention, has reformed. He has reduced his history from thirty to four lines. In this year's directory Mr. Littlepage merely mentions in the briefest sort of way that he is a Democrat, that he was born near Charleston; that he is a lawyer; that he served four years in the West Virginia State Senate, and that he was elected to the Sixty-second Congress.

Last session Mr. Littlepage was more generous. He told in throbbing phrases how his father had been killed in a duel at Dublin, Va., in 1852; how the contending armies had wiped out the family fortune, and how the family had been reduced to want.

"Adam," said Mr. Littlepage about himself, "was the youngest of five boys. He is a self-made man; has been a hard student and faithful worker all his life, a consistent Democrat, never wavering."

Mr. Littlepage went on to say that he had established a very "lucrative law practice at Charleston"; that he made a "fine record" in the State Senate of West Virginia; that he "waged the most determined contest that has ever been witnessed in West Virginia" in order to defeat Representative C. H. Gaines, the incumbent, and that he sometimes made "three speeches a day."

Mr. Littlepage added about himself that he had the reputation of being a very grateful man, and that as a congressman he "worked hard, late

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## ASHLAND NEWS NOTES

Ashland, Va., December 5.—The lecture delivered by Dr. Joseph Eggleston on "Edward Eggleston, the Author," before the Woman's Club and their guests this afternoon, was exceedingly interesting and highly appreciated by his audience.

Mrs. Knight, who has been the guest of Mrs. J. R. Riddle, left today for her home in New York.

Miss Elizabeth Davis, of the Woman's College, Richmond, was the week-end guest of Mrs. Thomas N. Jones.

Mrs. Morgan Shepherd is visiting her sister, Mrs. Hugh Denoon, at Ashland.

Mrs. Thomas Warren has returned to Harrisonburg after a visit to her son, Rice Warren.

Paul Jernigan, of Bluefield, W. Va., was a recent visitor here.

Berkley Taylor, of Philadelphia, and Randolph Taylor, of Beaver Dam, were week-end guests of their cousin, Mrs. H. T. Garthright.

Mrs. William Rudd and little Miss Brandon Rudd, of Richmond, have returned to their home in Richmond.

Stuart Leake, of Richmond, spent Sunday here with his aunts, the Misses Leake.

Miss Harrison is in town for a few days with Mrs. Arden.

Mrs. L. T. W. Marye has gone to Towson to visit her sister, Mrs. John Marley.

## LEAVES NAVAL SERVICE.

Constructor Evans Will Become Vice-President of Shipbuilding Co.  
Norfolk, Va., December 5.—Naval Constructor Holden A. Evans has resigned his commission in the naval service to become vice-president of the Moran Shipbuilding Company at Seattle, Wash. He retires January 1.

Constructor Evans's resignation is attributed to a curtailment of authority brought about, it is declared, by thwarting his efforts to install a new mechanical system at this naval station.

Last night was roll call night at the meeting of Virginia Dare Council, Daughters of Liberty. Sixty-five members answered to their names. Addresses were delivered, refreshments served, and a profitable evening was spent.

A freight car on the Seaboard tracks, in the western part of the city, was broken into and robbed last night. Some of the contents of the car were found scattered along the track.

Tobacco to the amount of 75,000 pounds was sold at the warehouses today, bringing \$450 to \$24, according to quays, with an active demand for all grades.

Police Matters.  
The Police Commissioners have arranged for better police protection in Pocahontas. Learning that the lieutenant of police had been placed in charge house, which requires the services of an operator, the Mayor has written to the chairman of the Police Commission suggesting that the system should be under the control of an officer of lesser rank, in order that the full service of the lieutenant should be available on the outside. The change will doubtless be made.

Died in Richmond.  
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# THROWN ON HEAD, BADLY INJURED

Young Farmer of Chesterfield  
County Is Victim of Pain-  
ful Accident.

## MEETING OF SPECIAL BOARD

Asylum Directors Transact Routine Business—Other Petersburg News.

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Petersburg, Va., December 5.—Horriam Grossman, a well-known young farmer of Chesterfield county, met with a serious accident yesterday afternoon. While driving his threshing machine from one farm to another, he was thrown from his seat by a sudden turn of his horses, and striking on his head as he fell, suffered concussion of the brain. Fortunately the ground on which he fell was sandy and soft, else his injuries might have been much more serious. The skull was not fractured, though the concussion rendered him unconscious for several hours. He has been removed to the home of his father, William Grossman, nearby, and placed under the care of physicians and a trained nurse. His condition to-day is much improved.

## Pretty Home Wedding.

This afternoon at 2 o'clock at the residence of the bride's parents on Franklin Street, Miss Martha May Marshall, the pretty and attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Marshall, was united in marriage to William Seth Lyon, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Dr. Braxton Bryan, D. D., rector of Grace Episcopal Church. The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. Charles H. Heinemann, as matron of honor, and Miss Lucile H. Butcher as maid of honor, and Howard H. Butcher was best man. The bridegroom is a member of the firm of the Whitmore-Lyon Company, of this city. Among the out of town guests present were Mrs. James C. Stever, Miss Lucile H. Butcher and Louis Adams, of Washington; Mr. and Mrs. William S. Bronson; Miss Josephine Bronson, Mrs. Milton Haynes, Mrs. Richard Pilkington, Mrs. Keenan Davis and Mr. and Mrs. G. Landon Barker, of Richmond, and Mrs. Frank Bronson, of Indianapolis.

## Death in Ettrick.

Mrs. Catherine Jones, wife of Benjamin G. Jones, died at her home in Ettrick about 2 o'clock this morning. She was twenty-nine years old and is survived by her husband and one child. After the funeral to-morrow morning the body will be taken to Ohio City, O., for burial, from which place the family moved to Ettrick several years ago.

Meeting of Special Board.  
The special board of directors of the Central State Asylum held their monthly meeting to-day. Those present were Robert G. Gilliam, chairman, of Petersburg; R. B. Cooke, of Norfolk, and J. G. Bohannon, of Surry county. Routine business was transacted.

Election of Officers.  
At the meeting of the board of stewards of Market street M. E. Church last night the following officers were elected: Chairman, T. E. Starnes, of Petersburg; W. T. Parham, Assistant Secretary, of W. T. Parham; Treasurer, Walter Sparklin; Assistants—A. Wright, Jr., and W. G. Malone. The board appointed committees for the various departments of church work.

A special committee consisting of W. R. Smith, chairman; C. M. Drister, F. W. Tucker, C. R. Guthrie, Walter Sparklin and G. C. Wright was appointed to meet in conjunction with similar committees of the other Methodist churches in the city, the effort to have the proposed Eastern branch of the publishing house located in Petersburg. The Methodists are deeply interested in having the branch of the publishing house located in this city.

Appointed Delegate.  
William M. Martin, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, has been appointed by Governor Mann a delegate to represent Petersburg at the Rivers and Harbors Congress, which meets in Washington to-morrow. Mr. Martin will attend the congress, and while in Washington will by request of the Chamber of Commerce, endeavor to secure an appropriation for the Appomattox River.

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# BAPTISTS MEET AT WINSTON-SALEM

North Carolina Association Conven-  
venes in Eighty-First An-  
nual Session.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
Winston-Salem, N. C., December 5.—The North Carolina Baptist State Convention convened this evening in its eighty-first annual session. The Baptist Church known as the Brown Memorial Building was crowded to the limit of its capacity upon this occasion, the

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attendance of delegates being probably the largest in the history of the convention. The preacher of the introductory sermon, with which the convention opened, was Rev. W. R. L. Smith, of Chapel Hill, formerly of Richmond. His text was this passage: "Speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward."

Immediately following the sermon, W. C. Dowd, of Charlotte, president of the convention for the past two years, called the convention to order. The enrollment of delegates followed, and then the address of welcome to Winston-Salem, delivered by G. T. Stephenson. The response to this address was made for the convention by Rev. C. H. Walker, of Asheville.

The election of president was the next business item before the convention. President W. L. Foy, of Wake Forest College; Rev. C. H. Durham, of Lumberton; Rev. H. A. Brown and Professor C. M. Beach, of Delway, were nominated. At the request of Messrs. Potent, Brown and Beach, their names were withdrawn from nomination, and the secretary of the convention cast the ballot of the convention for Rev. C. H. Durham for president. Mr. Durham was escorted to the chair, and Mr. Dowd expressed to him his pleasure at recognizing him as his successor. Mr. Durham spoke to the convention of his appreciation of the honor conferred upon him.

The other officers of the convention elected were as follows: Vice-presidents—Rev. C. W. Scarborough, of Woodland; Rev. A. J. Justice, of Hendersonville, and G. T. Stephenson, of Winston-Salem. Corresponding Secretary, N. B. Broughton; Recording Secretary, Rev. Livingston Johnson; Auditor, F. H. Briggs, all of Raleigh.

The enrollment showed 374 delegates present, and announcement was made that at the opening session of the convention last year only 175 were present.

The Pastors' Conference held two sessions to-day, concluding in the afternoon session. The principal subjects discussed were "The Pastor and Church Finances," "The Preacher from the Layman's Viewpoint," and "Preaching the Baptist Message." The officers of the conference for the ensuing year were elected just before final adjournment, as follows: President, Rev. W. R. C. Cullum; Vice-presidents—Rev. G. T. Watkins, Rev. W. C. Tyree and Rev. J. C. Fullbright; Secretary, J. B. Weather- spoon; Treasurer, L. R. Pruett.

RESIGNS AFTER FORTY YEARS.  
John Leyburn Mercer No Longer Chief Clerk at Eastern State Hospital.  
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
Williamsburg, Va., December 5.—After forty years of almost uninterrupted service to the State, John Leyburn Mercer yesterday resigned his position as chief clerk at the Eastern State Hospital. For several years past Mr. Mercer's health has not been good, and he found the duties of the office very trying. He collapsed at his post of duty yesterday afternoon, and had to be sent home in a carriage with a physician in attendance. He is better to-day, but still confined to his bed, suffering considerably from an attack of sciatica. Except for a few years during the Reconstruction regime, Mr. Mercer has served as clerk of the hospital since 1869. He was for two terms Mayor of Williamsburg. He is one of Williamsburg's most distinguished citizens, and his sudden illness is heard of with profound sorrow. H. M. Sweeney, who will probably be elected his successor as clerk, is performing the

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